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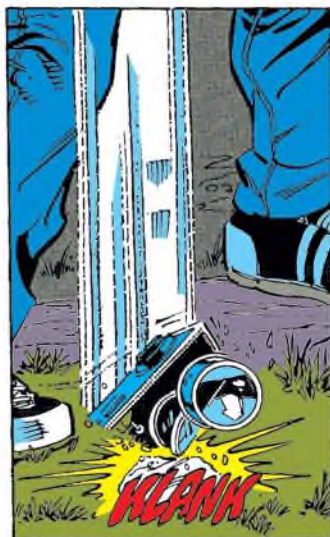
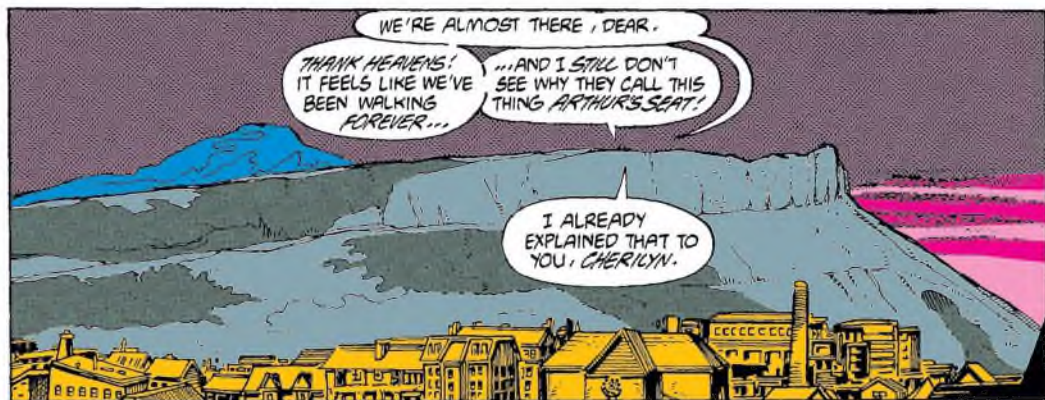
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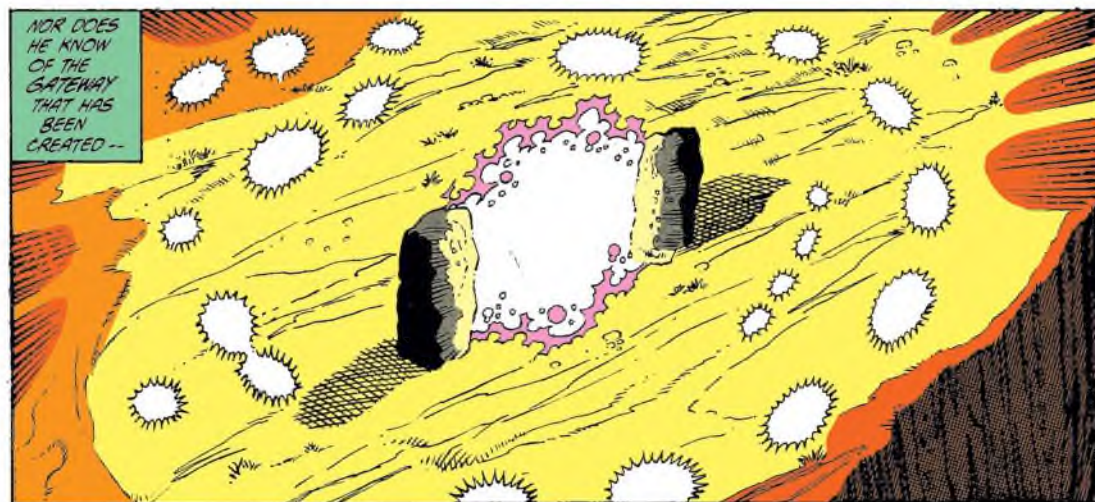
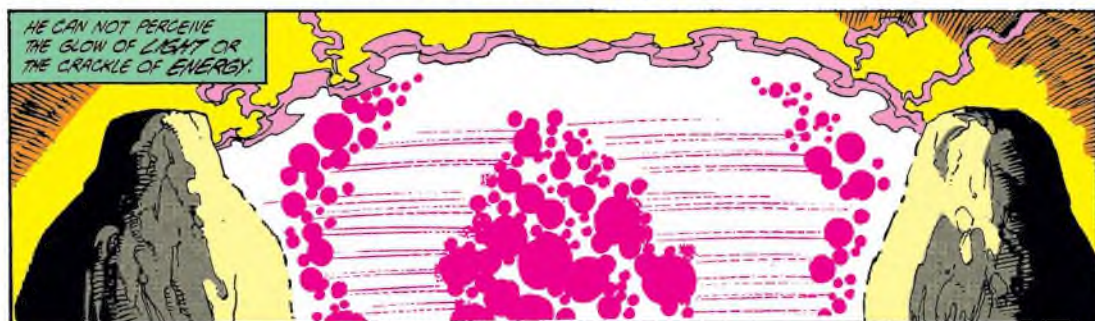
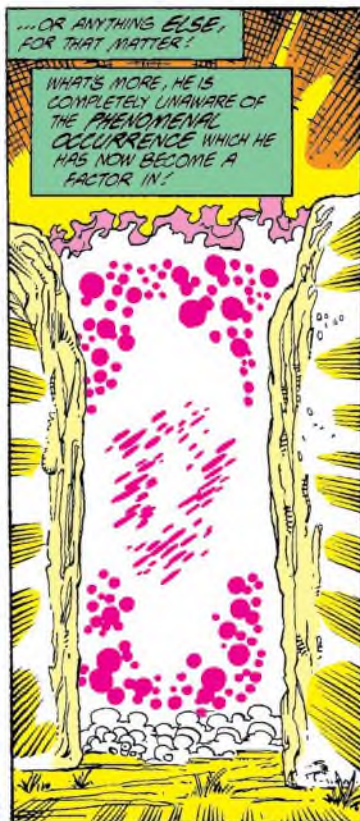
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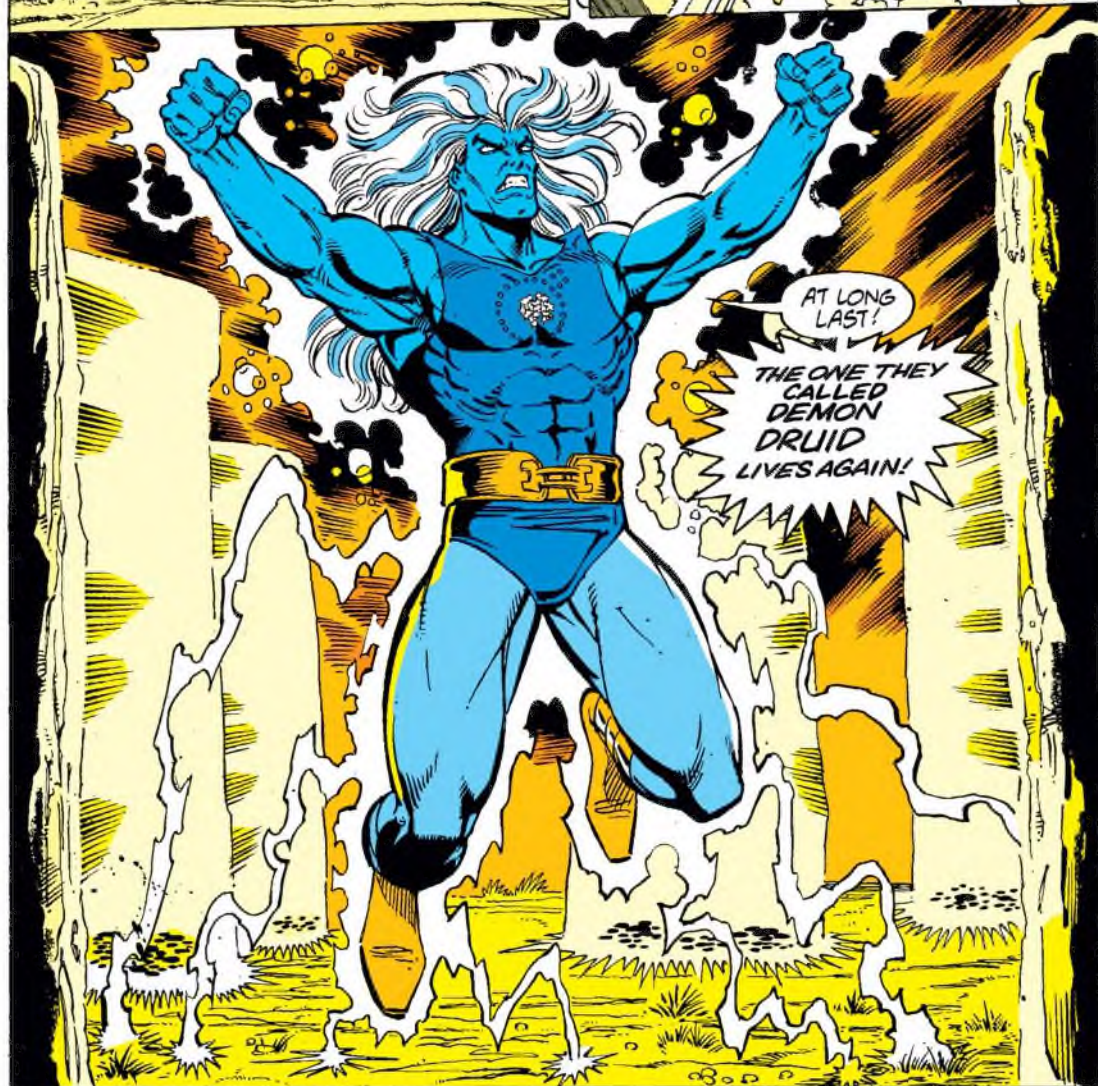
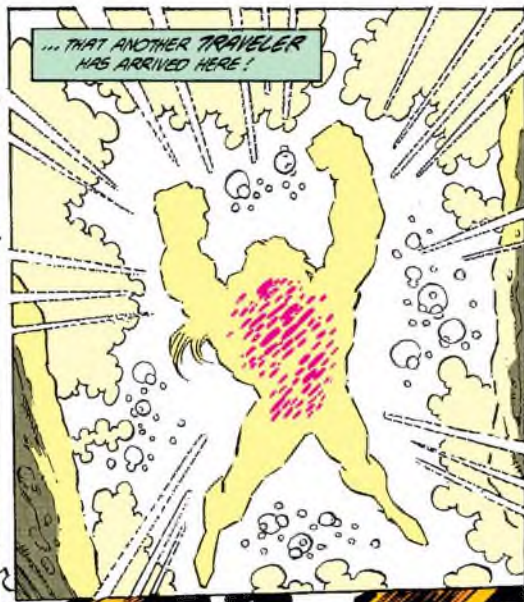
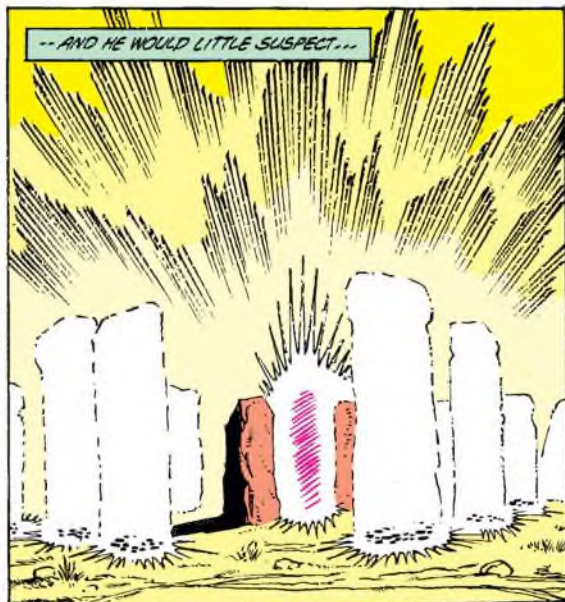
**Captain
BRITAIN™**
VS.
PHOENIX



...OVER THE
FINAL FATE
OF THE
**DEMON
DRUID!**







EXCALIBUR

THE EYE OF THE BEHOLDER

STAN LEE PRESENTS
AN UNTOLD STORY OF
EXCALIBUR FROM A TIME
JUST BEFORE THE CROSS
TIME CAPER! SIT BACK
AND RELAX! THIS ONE'S
GONNA BE A BLAST!

I MUST
BE CLOSY!

IT'S
ALWAYS THE
SAME...

...NO MATTER
HOW HARD I
TRY--

CREATED
BY
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--SO WHY
BOTHER?

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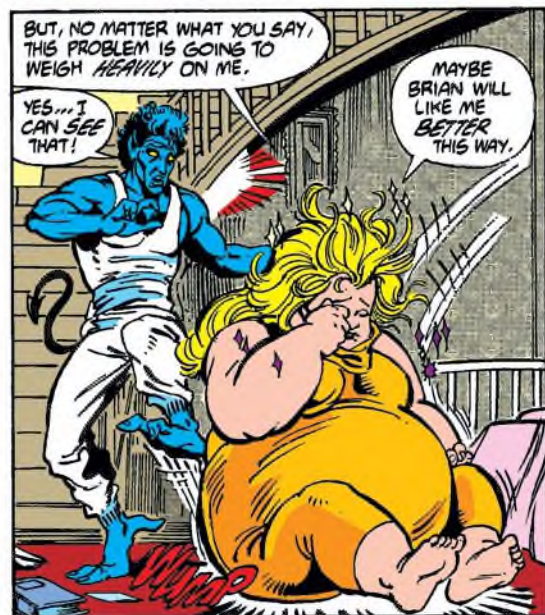
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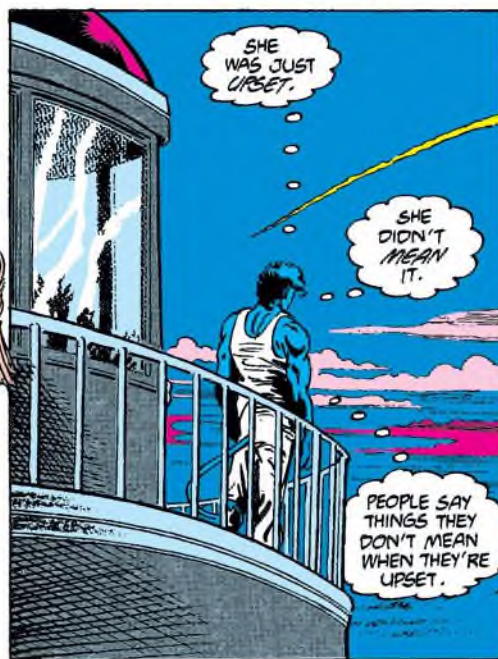
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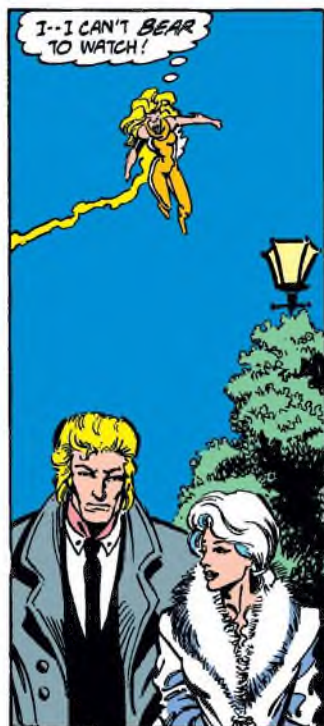
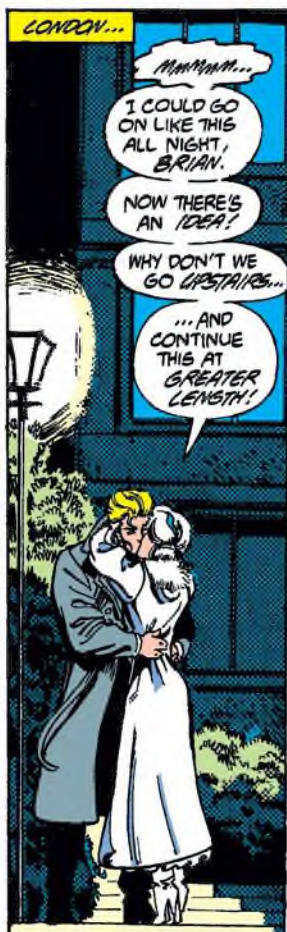
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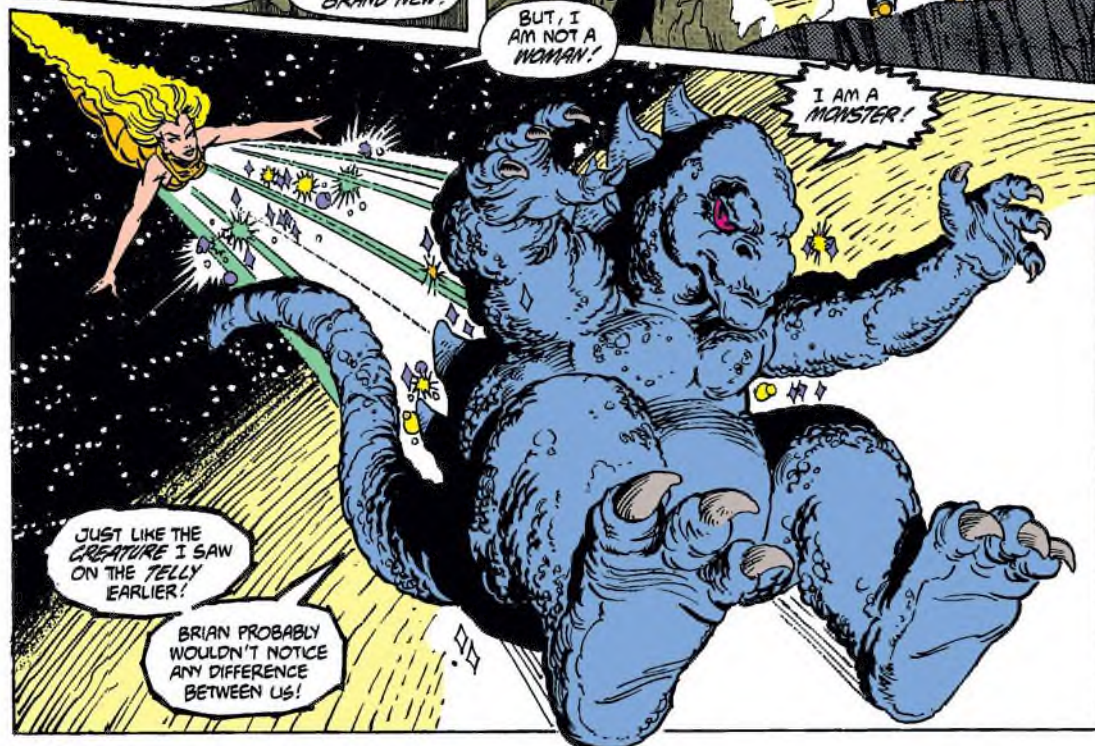
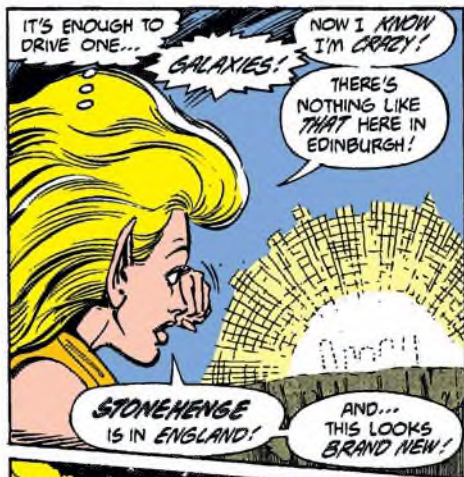
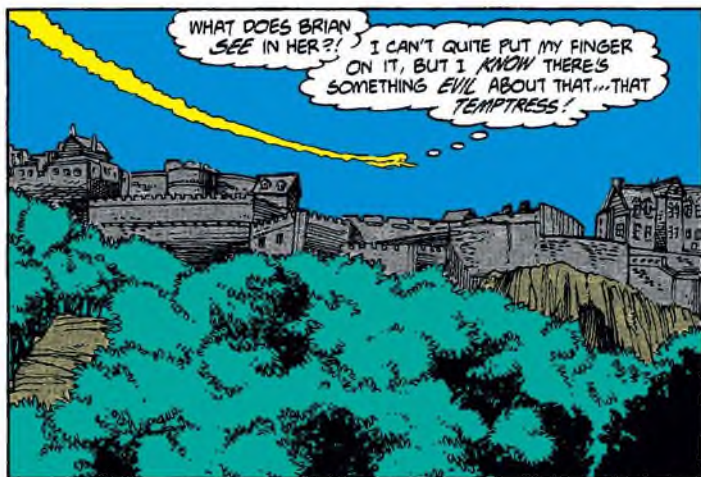
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WHAT HAVE WE HERE?!

A STRONG ONE--NOT LIKE THE OTHERS I HAVE DRAWN UPON!

PERHAPS THIS ONE WILL SUPPLY ME WITH WHAT I NEED!

PERHAPS THIS ONE WILL ENABLE ME TO ACHIEVE THAT WHICH HAS ELUDED ME FOR SO LONG!



I HAVE FOUND WHAT I MOST DESIRE!



YOU'RE CRAZY!

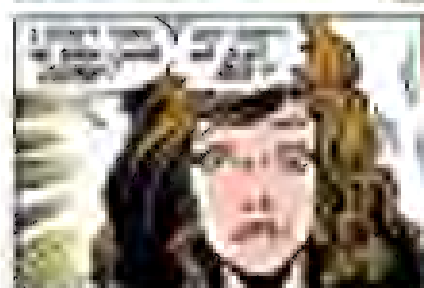
AND I WOULD VENTURE TO SAY THAT YOU ARE QUITE AN EXCITABLE BEING!



I VALUE THESE ATTRIBUTES--!



THIS SHALL YOU BECOME SUBJECT TO MY WILL!

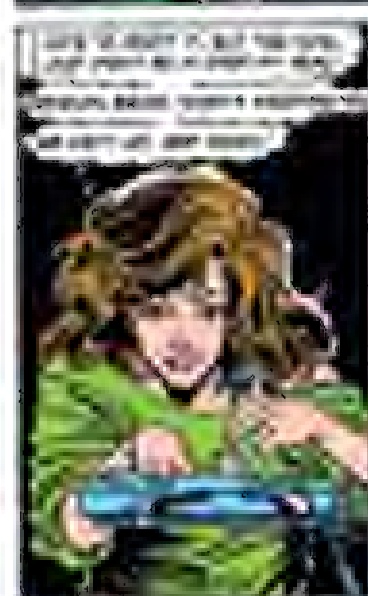
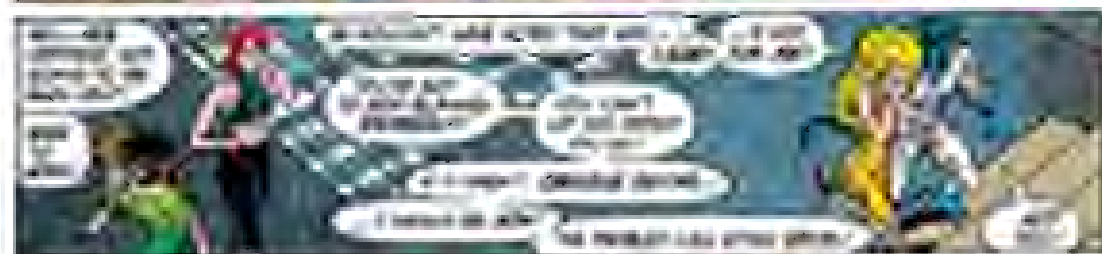
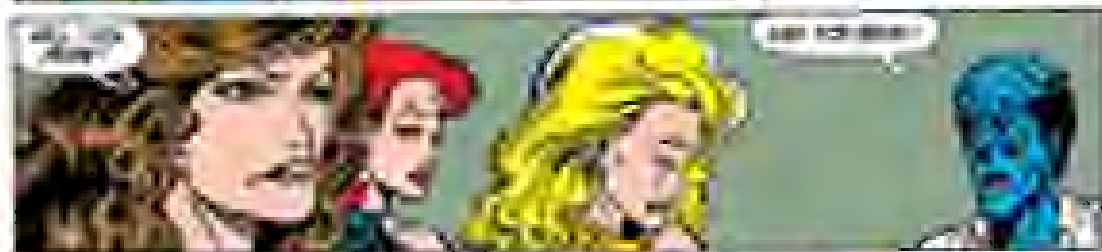


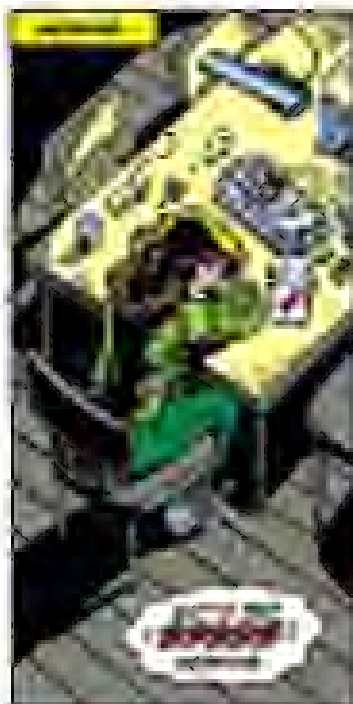




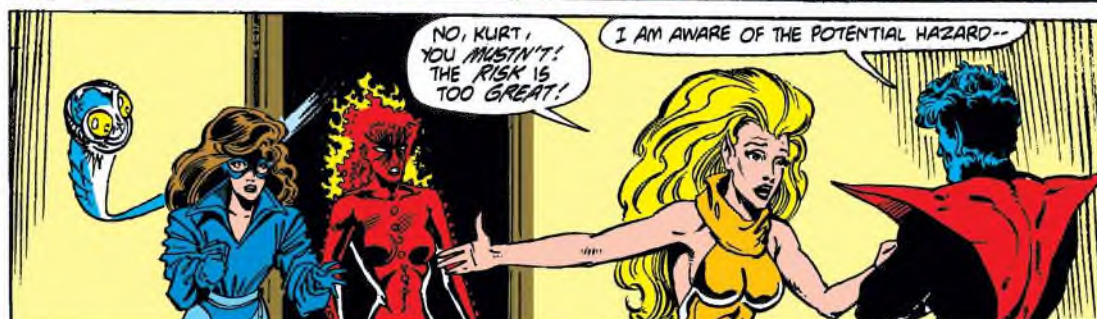
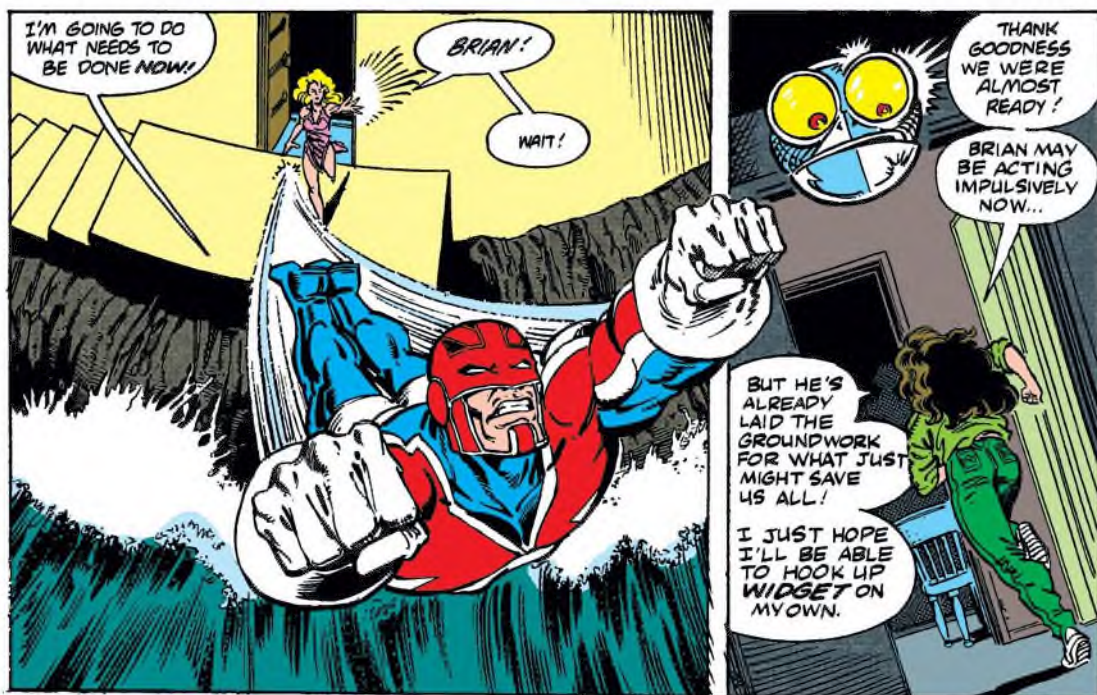


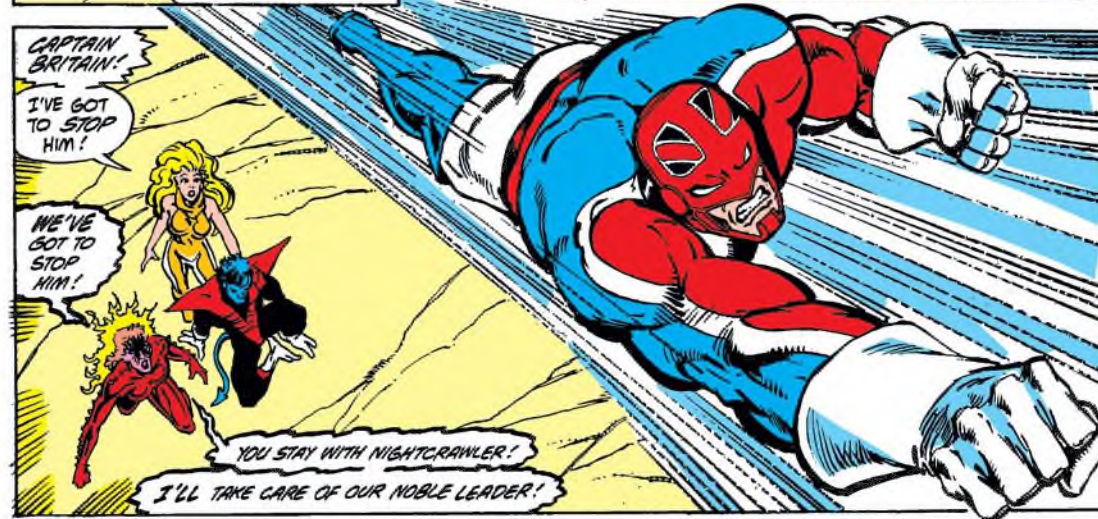
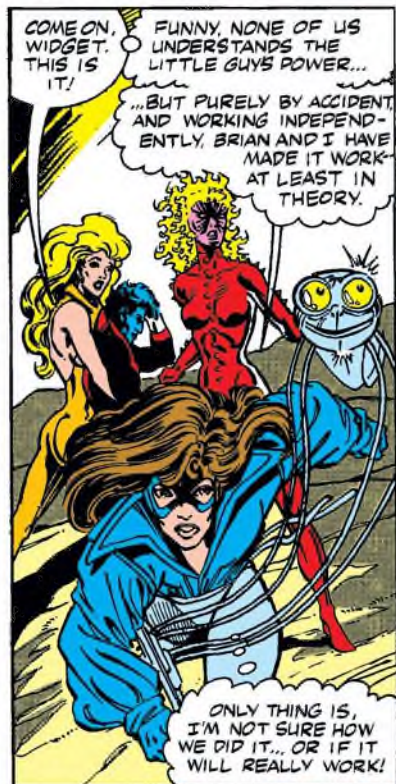














YOU'RE FINISHED, DEMON!
YOU DON'T KNOW THE POWER YOU FACE!

YOUR DESTRUCTION SHALL COME AT MY HANDS!



HUHH?
PHOENIX-- ARE YOU CRAZY?

AM I CRAZY?

HAVE YOU EVEN CONSIDERED THE REPERCUSSIONS YOUR ACTIONS COULD PRECIPITATE IN THESE SURROUNDINGS?
WHAT'S WRONGS WITH YOU?



BRIAN'S ALREADY DONE ALL HE NEEDS TO!

WE'VE GOT TO ACT NOW-- BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE!

I HOPE PHOENIX ISN'T SO DISTRACTED THAT I CAN'T ESTABLISH A PSI-LINK WITH HER!



RACHEL... I HEAR YOUR THOUGHTS, KITTY... AND I UNDERSTAND!

CARRY OUT YOUR PLANS! DON'T WORRY ABOUT BRIAN! I CAN TAKE CARE OF HIM! FOCUS YOUR THOUGHTS ON THE DRUID!



THERE'S NO WAY I'M GOING TO LET A CHILD STOP ME-- HUMILIATE ME!

I AM A CHILD OF THE STARS!

FORGET THE SPEECHES AND GET OUT OF MY WAY!

OR ELSE--!

DON'T EVEN TRY!



AS MUCH AS I HATE TO DO THIS, HE LEAVES ME NO CHOICE!

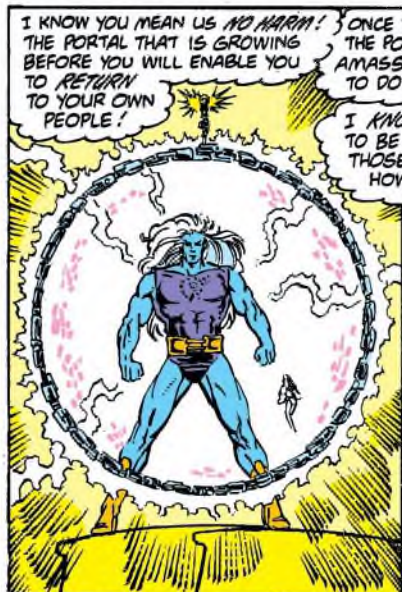
HE'LL UNDERSTAND... LATER. AT LEAST I HOPE HE WILL.

--AND I WILL SEE THAT NO HARM COMES TO YOU!



CAN YOU HEAR ME?

YES, OUR MINDS HAVE ALREADY BEEN LINKED. YOU ARE THE ONE THEY CALL "KITTY"!



I KNOW YOU MEAN US *NO HARM!* THE PORTAL THAT IS GROWING BEFORE YOU WILL ENABLE YOU TO *RETURN* TO YOUR OWN PEOPLE!

ONCE YOU PASS THROUGH, THE POWER YOU HAVE AMASSED WILL ALLOW YOU TO DO THE REST!

I KNOW WHAT IT'S LIKE TO BE *SEPARATED* FROM THOSE YOU LOVE. I KNOW HOW YOU MUST *FEEL!*



I... BELIEVE YOU DO!

FORGIVE THE OTHERS! SOMETIMES WE *FEAR* WHAT WE DO NOT UNDERSTAND! THEY, TOO, MEANT NO HARM!



NOW YOU MUST GO-- *QUICKLY!*

I SENSE SOMETHING IN YOU-- SOMETHING OF THE *GREATNESS* MEN MIGHT ACHIEVE!



STILL, I MUST SEEK OUT MY *OWN* KIND! MY PLACE IS NOT IN *YOUR* WORLD!



FAREWELL, COURAGEOUS ONE! PERHAPS OUR KIND SHALL MEET AGAIN ONE DAY!



SHORTLY... IF I HADN'T SEEN IT WITH MY OWN EYES I NEVER WOULD HAVE BELIEVED IT!

IT'S OBVIOUS YOU'RE *NOT* THE MAN I THOUGHT YOU WERE!

REALLY, WE'RE *SUPPOSED* TO BE A TEAM!

HE DIDN'T POSE THE THREAT-- YOU DID!

ALL HE WANTED TO DO WAS...

...WELL...GO HOME!

SURELY YOU KNOW BY NOW THAT THINGS AREN'T ALWAYS HOW THEY *APPEAR!*



AMAZING! IT WAS *DESPITE* OURSELVES THAT WE MANAGED TO PULL THIS OFF. I THOUGHT WE *KNEW* BETTER-- THOUGHT WE REALIZED WE COULD AT LEAST RELY ON EACH OTHER

AFTER ALL, THAT'S WHAT FRIEND'S ARE FOR!

THE END?